

Engel	Klug	Price (NC)	Weldon (FL)	White	Woolsey	English	Klink	Poshard
English	Knollenberg	Pryce (OH)	Weldon (PA)	Whitfield	Wynn	Ensign	Klug	Price (NC)
Ensign	Kolbe	Quinn	Weller	Wicker	Yates	Eshoo	Knollenberg	Pryce (OH)
Eshoo	Kucinich	Radanovich	Wexler	Wise	Young (AK)	Etheridge	Kolbe	Quinn
Etheridge	LaFalce	Rahall	Weygand	Wolf	Young (FL)	Evans	Kucinich	Radanovich
Evans	LaHood	Ramstad				Everett	LaFalce	Rahall
Everett	Lampson	Redmond				Ewing	LaHood	Ramstad
Ewing	Lantos	Regula	Bonior	Gonzalez	Pascrell	Farr	Lampson	Rangel
Farr	Largent	Reyes	Brown (FL)	Kennelly	Rangel	Fattah	Lantos	Redmond
Fattah	Latham	Riggs	Furse	Metcalf	Schiff	Fawell	Largent	Regula
Fawell	LaTourette	Riley	Gephardt	Olver	Waters	Fazio	Latham	Reyes
Fazio	Lazio	Rivers				Filner	LaTourette	Riggs
Filner	Leach	Rodriguez				Flake	Lazio	Riley
Flake	Levin	Roemer				Foglietta	Leach	Rivers
Foglietta	Rogan	Rohrabacher				Foley	Levin	Rodriguez
Foley	Lewis (CA)	Ros-Lehtinen				Forbes	Lewis (CA)	Roemer
Forbes	Lewis (GA)	Rothman				Ford	Lewis (GA)	Rogan
Ford	Lewis (KY)	Roukema				Fowler	Lewis (KY)	Rogers
Fowler	Linder	Roybal-Allard				Fox	Linder	Rohrabacher
Fox	Lipinski	Royce				Frank (MA)	Lipinski	Ros-Lehtinen
Frank (MA)	Livingston	Rush				Franks (NJ)	Livingston	Rothman
Franks (NJ)	LoBiondo	Ryun				Frelinghuysen	LoBiondo	Roukema
Frelinghuysen	Lofgren	Sabo				Frost	Lofgren	Roybal-Allard
Frost	Lowey	Salmon				Gallegly	Lowey	Royce
Gallegly	Lucas	Sanchez				Ganske	Lucas	Rush
Ganske	Luther	Sanders				Gejdenson	Luther	Ryun
Gejdenson	Maloney (CT)	Sandlin				Gekas	Maloney (CT)	Sabo
Gekas	Maloney (NY)	Sanford				Gephardt	Maloney (NY)	Salmon
Gibbons	Manton	Sawyer				Gibbons	Manton	Sanchez
Gillchrest	Manzullo	Saxton				Gilchrest	Manzullo	Sanders
Gillmor	Markey	Scarborough				Gillmor	Markey	Sandlin
Gilman	Martinez	Schaffer, Dan				Gilman	Martinez	Sanford
Goode	Mascara	Schaffer, Bob				Goode	Mascara	Sawyer
Goodlatte	Matsui	Schumer				Goodlatte	Matsui	Saxton
Goodling	McCarthy (MO)	Scott				Goodling	McCarthy (MO)	Scarborough
Gordon	McCarthy (NY)	Sensenbrenner				Gordon	McCarthy (NY)	Schaffer, Dan
Goss	McCollum	Serrano				Goss	McCollum	Schaffer, Bob
Graham	McCrery	Sessions				Graham	McCrery	Schumer
Granger	McDermott	Shadegg				Granger	McDermott	Scott
Green	McGovern	Shaw				Green	McGovern	Sensenbrenner
Greenwood	McHale	Shays				Greenwood	McHale	Serrano
Gutierrez	McHugh	Sherman				Gutierrez	McHugh	Sessions
Gutknecht	McInnis	Shimkus				Gutknecht	McInnis	Shadegg
Hall (OH)	McIntosh	Shuster				Hall (OH)	McIntosh	Shaw
Hall (TX)	McIntyre	Sisisky				Hall (TX)	McIntyre	Shays
Hamilton	McKeon	Skaggs				Hamilton	McKeon	Sherman
Hansen	McKinney	Skeen				Hansen	McKinney	Shimkus
Harman	McNulty	Skelton				Harman	McNulty	Shuster
Hastert	Meehan	Slaughter				Hastert	Meehan	Sisisky
Hastings (FL)	Meek	Smith (MI)				Hastings (FL)	Meek	Skaggs
Hastings (WA)	Menendez	Smith (NJ)				Hastings (WA)	Menendez	Skeen
Hayworth	Mica	Smith (OR)				Hayworth	Mica	Skelton
Hefley	Millender-	Smith (TX)				Hefley	Millender-	Slaughter
Hefner	McDonald	Smith, Adam				Hefner	McDonald	Smith (MI)
Herger	Miller (CA)	Smith, Linda				Herger	Miller (CA)	Smith (NJ)
Hill	Miller (FL)	Snowbarger				Hill	Miller (FL)	Smith (OR)
Hilleary	Minge	Snyder				Hilleary	Minge	Smith (TX)
Hilliard	Mink	Solomon				Hilliard	Mink	Smith, Adam
Hinchey	Moakley	Souder				Hinchey	Moakley	Smith, Linda
Hinojosa	Mollohan	Spence				Hinojosa	Mollohan	Snowbarger
Hobson	Moran (KS)	Spratt				Hobson	Moran (KS)	Snyder
Hoekstra	Moran (VA)	Stabenow				Hoekstra	Moran (VA)	Solomon
Holden	Morella	Stark				Holden	Morella	Souder
Hooley	Murtha	Stearns				Hooley	Murtha	Spence
Horn	Myrick	Stenholm				Horn	Myrick	Spratt
Hostettler	Nadler	Stokes				Hostettler	Nadler	Stabenow
Houghton	Neal	Strickland				Houghton	Neal	Stark
Hoyer	Nethercutt	Stump				Hoyer	Nethercutt	Stearns
Hulshof	Neumann	Stupak				Hulshof	Neumann	Stenholm
Hunter	Ney	Sununu				Hunter	Ney	Stokes
Hutchinson	Northup	Talent				Hutchinson	Northup	Strickland
Hyde	Norwood	Tanner				Hyde	Norwood	Stump
Inglis	Nussle	Tauscher				Inglis	Nussle	Sununu
Istook	Oberstar	Tauzin				Istook	Oberstar	Talent
Jackson (IL)	Obey	Thomson				Jackson (IL)	Obey	Tanner
Jackson-Lee	Ortiz	Thornberry				Jackson-Lee	Ortiz	Tauscher
(TX)	Owens	Thune				(TX)	Owens	Tauzin
Jefferson	Oxley	Thurman				Jefferson	Oxley	Taylor (MS)
Jenkins	Packard	Tiahrt				Jenkins	Packard	Taylor (NC)
John	Pallone	Tierney				John	Pallone	Thomas
Johnson (CT)	Pappas	Torres				Johnson (CT)	Pappas	Thompson
Johnson (WI)	Parker	Towns				Johnson (WI)	Parker	Thornberry
Johnson, E. B.	Pastor	Trafficant				Johnson, E. B.	Pastor	Thune
Johnson, Sam	Paul	Turner				Johnson, Sam	Pascrell	Thurman
Jones	Paxon	Upton				Jones	Paxon	Tiahrt
Kanjorski	Payne	Velazquez				Kanjorski	Payne	Tierney
Kaptur	Pease	Vento				Kaptur	Pease	Torres
Kasich	Pelosi	Visclosky				Kasich	Pelosi	Towns
Kelly	Peterson (MN)	Walsh				Kelly	Peterson (MN)	Trafficant
Kennedy (MA)	Peterson (PA)	Wamp				Kennedy (MA)	Peterson (PA)	Turner
Kennedy (RI)	Petri	Watkins				Kennedy (RI)	Petri	Upton
Kildee	Pickering	Watt (NC)				Kildee	Pickering	Velazquez
Kilpatrick	Pickett	Watts (OK)				Kilpatrick	Pickett	Vento
Kim	Pitts	Waxman				Kim	Pitts	Visclosky
Kind (WI)	Pombo					Kind (WI)	Pombo	Walsh
King (NY)	Pomeroy					King (NY)	Pomeroy	Wamp
Kingston	Porter					Kingston	Porter	Waters
Klecza	Portman					Klecza	Portman	Watkins
Klink	Poshard							

NOT VOTING—12

□ 1745

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the concurrent resolution, as amended, was agreed to.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

HOUSING PROGRAMS EXTENSION ACT OF 1997

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. EMERSON). The pending business is the question de novo of suspending the rules and passing the Senate bill, S. 562, as amended.

The Clerk read the title of the Senate bill.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The question is on the motion offered by the gentleman from New York [Mr. LAZIO] that the House suspend the rules and pass the Senate bill, S. 562, as amended.

The question was taken.

RECORDED VOTE

Mr. DIAZ-BALART. Madam Speaker, I demand a recorded vote.

A recorded vote was ordered.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. This will be a 5-minute vote.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—ayes 422, noes 1, not voting 10, as follows:

[Roll No. 397]

AYES—422

Ackerman	Boswell	Costello
Aderholt	Boucher	Cox
Allen	Boyd	Coyne
Andrews	Brady	Cramer
Archer	Brown (CA)	Crane
Army	Brown (OH)	Crapo
Bachus	Bryant	Cubin
Baessler	Bunning	Cummings
Baker	Burr	Cunningham
Baldacci	Burton	Danner
Ballenger	Buyer	Davis (FL)
Barcia	Callahan	Davis (IL)
Barr	Calvert	Davis (VA)
Barrett (NE)	Camp	Deal
Barrett (WI)	Campbell	DeFazio
Bartlett	Canady	DeGette
Barton	Cannon	Delahunt
Bass	Capps	DeLauro
Bateman	Cardin	DeLay
Becerra	Carson	Dellums
Bentsen	Castle	Deutsch
Bereuter	Chabot	Diaz-Balart
Berman	Chambliss	Dickey
Berry	Chenoweth	Dicks
Bilbray	Christensen	Dingell
Bilirakis	Clay	Dixon
Bishop	Clayton	Doggett
Blagojevich	Clement	Dooley
Bliley	Clyburn	Doolittle
Blumenauer	Coble	Doyle
Blunt	Coburn	Dreier
Boehlert	Collins	Duncan
Boehner	Combest	Dunn
Bonilla	Condit	Edwards
Bonior	Conyers	Ehrlich
Bono	Cook	Emerson
Borski	Cooksey	Engel

Watt (NC)	White	Wynn
Watts (OK)	Whitfield	Yates
Waxman	Wicker	Young (AK)
Weldon (PA)	Wise	Young (FL)
Wexler	Wolf	
Weygand	Woolsey	

NOES—1

Paul

NOT VOTING—10

Abercrombie	Gonzalez	Weldon (FL)
Brown (FL)	Metcalfe	Weller
Ehlers	Neal	
Furse	Schiff	

□ 1755

So (two-thirds having voted in favor thereof) the rules were suspended and the Senate bill, as amended, was passed.

The title of the Senate bill was amended so as to read:

A bill to provide for the temporary extension of certain programs relating to public housing, to reauthorize certain programs relating to housing assistance, and to amend section 255 of the National Housing Act to prevent the funding of unnecessary or excessive costs for obtaining a home equity conversion mortgage, and for other purposes.

A motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, MADAM
SPEAKER

Mr. PAPPAS. Madam Speaker, I just want to take this opportunity to wish the gentlewoman a very happy birthday.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair thanks the gentleman from New Jersey and pretends that she is younger than she really is, or tries to be anyway.

GENERAL LEAVE

Mr. PORTER. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent that all Members may have 5 legislative days within which to revise and extend their remarks on the bill (H.R. 2264) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes, and that I may include tabular and extraneous material.

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Is there objection to the request of the gentleman from Illinois?

There was no objection.

DEPARTMENTS OF LABOR,
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,
AND EDUCATION, AND RELATED
AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS
ACT, 1998

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mrs. EMERSON). Pursuant to the order of the House of Thursday, July 31, 1997, and rule XXIII, the Chair declares the House in the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the further consideration of the bill, H.R. 2264.

□ 1758

IN THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Accordingly, the House resolved itself into the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union for the further consideration of the bill (H.R. 2264) making appropriations for the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, and for other purposes, with Mr. BEREUTER (Chairman pro tempore, in the chair).

The Clerk read the title of the bill.

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore. When the Committee of the Whole rose on Thursday, September 11, 1997, the amendment by the gentleman from Indiana [Mr. Hostettler] had been disposed of and section 515 was open for amendment.

Are there further amendments to this section of the bill?

□ 1800

Mr. EWING. Mr. Chairman, I move to strike the last word to engage the gentleman from Illinois [Mr. PORTER], my esteemed colleague and chairman of the Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, in a colloquy.

On September 10, 1997, the Senate voted 91 to 8 to pass an amendment by Senator COVERDELL of Georgia to the Senate Labor Health and Human Services appropriations bill. This amendment included several proposals designed to help respond to the *E. coli* problems we as a nation have experienced recently.

This amendment addresses the *E. coli* issue head on by providing funding for research on the development of improved medical treatment for patients infected with this disease.

This amendment also provides funding to help detect and prevent colonization of *E. coli* in live cattle, and amongst other important provisions provides the implementation of a study on the feasibility of irradiating raw red meat to eliminate the *E. coli* and to develop a consumer education program on the process' safety.

I would strongly urge that Chairman PORTER look favorably upon this amendment when deliberations begin in conference.

Mr. Chairman, I yield to the gentleman from Illinois [Mr. PORTER], the distinguished subcommittee chairman.

Mr. PORTER. Mr. Chairman, I thank the gentleman from Illinois [Mr. EWING], my colleague, for yielding.

I am aware of the amendment pertaining to *E. coli* that was accepted on the Senate bill. While I cannot agree with the amendment's approach of tapping funds already appropriated for other purposes instead of providing an offset to fund the *E. coli* initiative, I think we would all agree that the *E. coli* problem is a serious one. I would expect the House conferees to look favorably upon action to encourage the Department of Health and Human Services to undertake those activities

highlighted in the amendment which appropriately fall within the HHS mission.

In fact, the House bill already provides an increase for the Centers for Disease Control infectious diseases program to support the new food safety initiative.

Mr. EWING. I thank the chairman. I appreciate his interest and concern, and I hope that the conference committee will take this matter up.

AMENDMENT NO. 5 OFFERED BY MR. GOODLING

Mr. GOODLING. Mr. Chairman, I offer an amendment.

The CHAIRMAN pro tempore Mr. BEREUTER. The Clerk will designate the amendment.

The text of the amendment is as follows:

Amendment No. 5 offered by Mr. GOODLING:

At the end of the bill, insert after the last section (preceding the short title) the following new section:

SEC. . (a) PROHIBITION OF FUNDS FOR NATIONAL TESTING IN READING AND MATHEMATICS.—None of the funds made available in this Act may be used to develop, plan, implement, or administer any national testing program in reading or mathematics.

(b) EXCEPTIONS.—Subsection (a) shall not apply to the following:

(1) The National Assessment of Educational Progress carried out under sections 411 through 413 of the Improving America's Schools Act of 1994 (20 U.S.C. 9010–9012).

(2) The Third International Math and Science Study (TIMSS).

(Mr. GOODLING asked and was given permission to proceed for 5 additional minutes.)

Mr. GOODLING. Mr. Chairman, I have been rather disappointed on several occasions in the last couple weeks when it was mentioned by some that perhaps this was a political argument. I want to assure everyone this has nothing to do with politics whatsoever.

My concern and my interest comes from 22 years as an educator, 22 years as a teacher, a guidance counselor, a principal, a superintendent of schools, a supervisor of student teachers, a school board president, a PTA president. My concern is based simply on the fact that I believe I have learned a lot in those 22 years as to how children learn, why children do not learn, and what one does in order to have children learn. As a matter of fact, in March 1991 I wrote an op ed, and that was during President Bush's administration, in opposition to this very same issue.

We are told, first of all, that 17-year-olds in this country, some of the most recent statistics would indicate that 52 percent read fairly well, comprehend fairly well, and do math and science quite well. That means that the other 50 percent do poorly.

I would ask all of my colleagues who are here and all who may be listening to put themselves in the shoes of that other 50 percent, that 50 percent that has not done well and who are not doing well at the present time. This 50 percent has been tested with every standardized test there is, whether it is Iowa, whether it is California, Stanford. They have been tested with every